

I have not seen any thing
of the fate of the sections of
the Wettingtonia, which you
were so kind as to tell me of
through Prof. Aguirre. I hope
it has not been made into firewood.

Believe me ever
yours faithfully
Wm. Carruthers

Prof. Asa Gray }
to be }

British Museum
23 April 1872

My dear Dr. Gray,

We have looked over
Nuttall's Herbarium, and can
find only "Melica *proseroides"
from St. Diego. On comparing
the spikelets from Gambell's
plants with it there can be
no doubt that it is quite
different; but you will be
able to determine this for
your own satisfaction, as I
enclose a specimen of the
Melica, which can be easily
separated from the large set of
specimens we have -

We have not been able to
find a 'Poa * melicoides' -

Many thanks for Wright's
letter which you enclosed. It
is very desirable to secure for
our Herbarium collections that
have been critically named,
and the list has been published
— even though the collections
add little to the number
of our species -

I shall also be very
glad to have ~~the~~ set, as
good as possible, of the
Mexican plants you
are now engaged with -
I wish I could give

you some returns for all
your kindness -

I have a few papers laid
aside for you which I will
forward in a week or two
when I get one that I am
at present engaged with printed.

I desire to be kindly re-
membered to Mrs Gray -

Mr Bennett continues well
— but he has completely shut
himself up in an inaccessible
country town about 40 miles from
London

Dr Gray is remarkably well,
attending to duty every day, but
I regret to say that Mrs Gray
is not at all well just now